"If there are any lonely or friendless people whom you know, invite them to your homes. Use hospitality one to another without grudging. Be unselfish and willing to share whatever you have with others, knowing that all your good things come from God, who has made you His stewards and servants.

"Last of all," said Peter, "whether in preaching and teaching, whether in eating or drinking or whatever we do, let us do all things in such a way that God may be praised through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory and honor forever. Amen."

Questions on the Lesson

1. Who was Peter? 2. To whom did he write a letter of advice? 3. Why did these Christians need special help? 4. Why did the heathen speak evil of them? 5. What did the apostle say about heathen enjoyments? 6. Against what sin did he particularly warn them? 7. How did he promise they should overcome temptation? 8. What did he say about love? 9. What did he say about hospitality? 10. Why should Christians be ready to share their things with others? 11. How may God be praised by His people? 12. What is the Golden Text?

Lesson Story

There is an old story about a Greek maiden named Eulalia; she wanted to be friends with Lucinda, a very gay and worldly woman. One day she said to her father, Sophronius, "I would like to call upon Lucinda; may I go to-day?"

"I cannot allow you to do that, my daughter," replied Sophronius.

"But, father, you must think me exceedingly weak, if you suppose I should be injured by going." said Eulalia, crossly.

Her father stooped down and picked up a piece of dirty coal and held it out. "Take that in your hand, my child; it will not hurt you."

She did, and her fingers became smudged. Eulalia did not understand. "Why," she said, "did you give me this? It blackens."

"Yes" came the reply, "coal, when it does not burn, blackens."

Do you see the lesson of the old Greek?

Bad company will blacken, even if it does not burn."

Lesson Hymn

Soldiers of Christ! arise
And put your armor on!
Strong in the strength which God supplies
Through His eternal Son;
Strong in the Lord of hosts,
And in His mighty power:
Who in the strength of Jesus trusts
Is more than conqueror. Amen.
—Hymn 246, Book of Praise

The Catechism

PRIMARY CATECHISM—46. What was done with the body of Jesus after His death on the cross? The body of Jesus was taken by His friends and laid in a tomb or grave. 47. What happened on the third day after Jesus died and was buried? On the third day Jesus rose from the dead.

SHORTER CATECHISM—95. To whom is baptism to be administered? A. Baptism is not to be administered to any that are out of the visible church, till they profess their faith in Christ, and obedience to him; but the infants of such as are members of the visible church are to be baptised.

SOMETHING TO DRAW

Very beautiful wine looks when it is poured out into a clear and sparkling glass.



But though it looks so lovely, it is very dangerous and does much harm to those who drink it. It is safest and best not to taste it.

J Have Learned Zo:day THAT GOD WANTS ME TO BE PURE